



U.S. Department  
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**Federal Aviation  
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# Advisory Circular

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**Subject:** ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY:  
PRACTICAL TEST STANDARDS  
(ROTORCRAFT); FAA-S-8081-7A,  
FAA-S-8081-15, AND FAA-S-8081-16

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**1. PURPOSE.** This advisory circular announces the availability of **FAA-S-8081-7A**, Flight Instructor Practical Test Standards for Rotorcraft; **FAA-S-8081-15**, Private Pilot Practical Test Standards for Rotorcraft; and **FAA-S-8081-16**, Commercial Pilot Practical Test Standards for Rotorcraft; and provides information on obtaining printed copies or electronic access of these documents.

**2. BACKGROUND.** Previous editions of the Private Pilot and Commercial Pilot Practical Test Standards have incorporated all aircraft categories in one book respectively. The first category to be issued separately was the airplane. **FAA-S-8081-15** and **FAA-S-8081-16** present the rotorcraft practical test standards separately. The glider and lighter-than-air practical test standards will be revised and published as separate books also.

**3. GENERAL.** These Practical Test Standards for Rotorcraft have been published by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to establish the standards for flight instructor, private pilot, and commercial pilot certification for rotorcraft. These standards are to be used by FAA inspectors and designated examiners when conducting practical tests for flight instructor, private pilot, and commercial pilot certification in helicopters and gyroplanes. Instructors and applicants should find these standards helpful in practical test preparation.

**4. HOW TO OBTAIN ELECTRONICALLY.** These practical test standards **may** be accessed through the **FedWorld** Information System. They may also be accessed via the Internet using the following addresses:

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World Wide Web: <http://www.fedworld.gov>

**5. HOW TO ORDER PRINTED COPIES.** Printed copies of **FAA-S-8081-7A**, **FAA-S-8081-15**, and **FAA-S-8081-16** may be obtained from:

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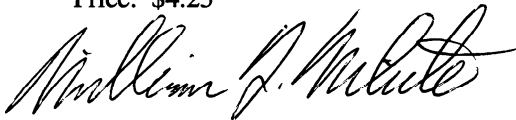
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Order Form is attached. In addition, orders may be placed at U.S. Government Printing Office bookstores located in major cities throughout the United States. Specify:

Title: Flight Instructor Practical Test Standards for Rotorcraft  
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Title: Commercial Pilot Practical Test Standards for Rotorcraft  
Identification: **FAA-S-8081-16**  
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